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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the claims to read as set forth in the following listing of claims.

1. (original) A Raman spectrometry apparatus containing a source of excitation (14), optical means of excitation directing a beam of excitation (15) derived from that source on the sample (17), means (18) for collecting the energy diffused by the sample (17) containing an inlet diffusion slot (19), a spectral dispersion system (20), means for selecting the Raman energy (23), a detector (22), optical detection means directing the Raman energy thus collected and selected to the detector (22), characterised in that the optical means (16) of excitation cause the beam of excitation (15) to be dispersed by the dispersion system (20), said optical means (16) of